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DISPLAY APPARATUS

: GROUP ART UNIT: 2871

: EXAMINER: RUDE, T.

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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FOR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated March 12, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 2 as follows:

1. (Amended) A liquid crystal display element comprising a front side substrate having a front side electrode, a rear side substrate having a rear side electrode and a liquid crystal layer interposed therebetween wherein the liquid crystal layer is a chiral nematic liquid crystal layer comprising a nematic liquid crystal and an amount of chiral dopant sufficient to provide reflection of visible light and that exhibits a plurality of display states; a display state is changed by a voltage applied across the electrodes, and at least one state among the display states is maintained stably, the liquid crystal display element being characterized in that at least a part of the front side electrode and the front side substrate is

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

AMENDMENT W/MARKED-UP COPY; REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (one-month)

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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